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1. In May 1950, the Chinese Communists, under the supervision of Soviet technicians and advisors, started construction work on Nant'ai Airfield near Foochow, Fukien.* On 25 August, two runways 150 meters long and 70 meters wide were completed, and a new runway intended for use by heavy bombers was begun.** On 2 September, there were 6 anti-aircraft guns and 14 anti-aircraft machine guns at Nant'ai (119-23, 25-59) Airfield.***
2. On 2 September, 200 men from the 4 Regiment of the Chinese Communist Army Engineers and 400 Nationalist POW's were sent from Foochow to Kaokaishan (高蓋山), northwest of Nant'ai Airfield, to secretly excavate hanger revetments.

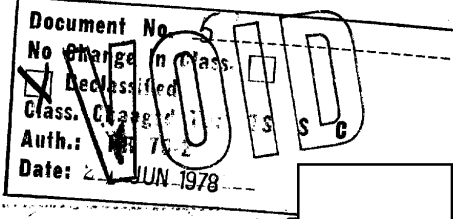
* [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] from a similar source, reported that the runway at this field had been extended to 2,400 meters as of late August 1950.

** [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] reported similar airstrip expansion at Ch'angting (116-20, 25-45) Airfield, Fukien.

*** [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] it is also called Ihsu (義序) and Foochow Airfield.

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